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... Active Pall Bearers ...

*Joe W. Peebles III
Joseph Neville III
Jerome Willis Jr.
James Cureton III
Eugene Porter
Conway Porter
Ulysses Wilson Jr.
Michael Gist*

... Honorary Pall Bearers ...

*The Board Of Deacons, First Shiloh Baptist Church
Prince Hall Masons*

Interment:

Acacia Park and Resthaven Memorial Gardens

Auspices:

Thomas Edwards Funeral Home
995 Genesee Street
Buffalo, New York 14211

... Family Acknowledgements...

*The Family acknowledges with deep appreciation
all acts of love and kindness shown to them during their
hour of bereavement.*

May God's blessing ever be with you.

*The Homegoing Service
-for-*

Deacon Joe Wallace Peebles Sr.

1934 - 1997



*Husband, Father, Grandfather,
Brother, Uncle, Cousin, Friend*

Monday June 23, 1997
1:00 p.m.

FIRST SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH
15 Pine Street
Buffalo, New York 14204

Reverend Dr. Leslie D. Braxton, Pastor

OBITUARY



Joe W. Peeples Sr. was born on December 1, 1934, in Union, South Carolina to the late Adam and Corrie (Lyles) Peeples. He was the youngest of eight children.

Joe attended Sims High School. At an early age, he was united with Christ and was baptized at Maple Ridge Baptist Church.

On January 5, 1952, he married the love of his life, the former Waline (Neddie) Eison. To this union, one son and two daughters were born.

In 1954, Joe moved his family to Buffalo, New York. In his early years of employment, Joe worked with his late brother, Eugene, at Frontier Delivery as a truck driver. He retired in 1996 from the NOCO Energy Corporation.

In 1967, Joe began his affiliation with the Prince Hall Masons of Western New York. He belonged to four houses: St. John's Lodge #16, Bison Consistory #29, Royal Arch Companion Chapter #35, and Shrine #61. He served as Worshipful Master of St. John's Lodge in 1973 and later achieved his Thirty - Third Degree (33°) for his work in the order and the community.

Joe served as District Deputy Grand Master for 10 years and in 1995 he was elevated to District Deputy Grand Master Emeritus 33° of the 7th Masonic District of New York.

Joe joined First Shiloh Baptist Church soon after moving to Buffalo. Throughout his many years of devoted Christian service, Deacon Peeples labored in the Usher's Ministry, Laymen's Ministry, and served as Chairman of the Finance Committee. Deeply committed to prayer and the study of scriptures, Deacon Peeples was a weekly attendee of prayer service, Sunday School and Bible Study.

In 1977, Deacon Peeples was ordained to the Deacon's Ministry under the pastorate of the late Elijah. J. Echols Jr.

Over the past twenty years, he became a model Baptist deacon, faithfully assisted three pastors in the work of the church, regularly visiting the sick and shut-in, and was a constant voice of encouragement and conciliation throughout the membership. Under the pastorate of the Reverend Dr. Leslie D. Braxton, Deacon Peeples was ascended to the office of Chairman of the Deacon's Ministry, where he faithfully served in the finest fashion until his untimely demise on Wednesday, June 18, 1997.

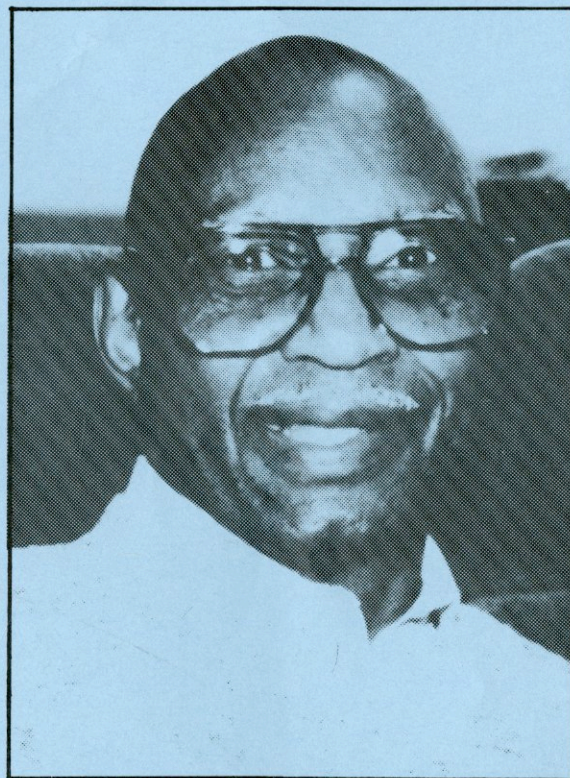
A humble, soft-spoken man, Joe's life was exemplary of God's love. He was a forceful leader in his church and community. His nurturing spirit will be remembered by all who knew and loved him.

Joe leaves to cherish his memory his loving and devoted wife and partner, Waline ("Neddie"); son Joe W. Peeples, Jr., Buffalo, NY; two daughters: Brenda G. Willis, Virginia Beach, VA, Marcella (James) Cureton, Summerville, SC; grandchildren: Joe W. Peeples, III, Buffalo, NY, Sgt. Joseph Neville III, Colorado Springs, CO, James and Dominique Cureton, Summerville, SC, Jerome Jr. and Marcella G. Willis, Virginia Beach, VA; great-grandson: Jonathan Andrew Peeples, Buffalo, NY; sister: Thelma (Ulysses) Wilson, Philadelphia, PA; brother: Adam (Barbara) Wilson, Norristown, PA; sisters-in-law: Ruth Smith, Inmon, SC, Elizabeth Smith, Union, SC, Luvenia Lindsay, Philadelphia, PA, Naomi Boston, New York, NY; brothers-in-law: Jesse Eison, Union, SC, Holmes E. Eison, Philadelphia, PA. He is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by brothers Eugene and Coleman, and sisters Azilee, Elease, Correan, and Ayrie Mae. †

Memorial Service
For
Owen S. Perry

January 6, 1916

April 25, 1999



Saturday, May 1, 1999
10:00 A.M.

First Shiloh Baptist Church
15 Pine Street
Buffalo, New York 14204

Rev. Dr. Leslie D. Braxton, Officiating

His Story

Owen S. Perry, often described as a person who truly enjoyed life, died suddenly on Sunday, April 25, 1999.

He was the oldest child of the late Owen and Alberta Broadnax Perry and was born on January 6, 1916 in Birmingham, Alabama. Owen spent his early childhood in St. Petersburg, Florida and moved to Buffalo as a teenager where he completed his education.

As a young man, he worked a variety of jobs including employment at Bethlehem Steel and Republic Steel, and as a salesman and manager for Ben's Pawn Shop on William Street, and on Jefferson Avenue on Buffalo's east side. He was also the owner of a used furniture store. Owen later retired from the maintenance department of SUNY at Buffalo.

Retirement created the opportunity for him to become involved in many activities. Terry, as he was called by family and close friends, was an avid card player who would spend weekends playing cards and entertaining. Owen was a dedicated member of the William Emslie YMCA Senior Citizens Center where he served as Vice President of the Senior Citizens Club. He was slated to run for President of that group in the upcoming election. Mr. Perry also served as associate volunteer exercise instructor for the Senior Fitness Exercise Program at the William Emslie YMCA. John L. Scott, his co-instructor stated that he will be greatly missed as the exercise instructor and also stated that the creative ideas of Mr. Perry helped to increase the enrollment of the class to over 100 members. Owen also served on the Entertainment Committee for the Senior Citizens Group and was generally the highest ticket seller. "He did everything but play the music", stated Mr. Scott. Mr. Perry also participated in the New York State Senior Olympics for many years and earned medals in several events. Every summer he also volunteered as a "spotter" for the annual Juneteenth Festival Run for Health, 5K Race.

Travel was another passion for Mr. Perry. He participated in all of the Senior Citizens trips and was a frequent traveler to the Caribbean.

He leaves to mourn, his devoted companion, Helen Dunovant, his loving daughter, Kim T. (Frank) Mason of Petersburg, VA; son, Terry L. (Brenda), of Petersburg, VA; daughter, Carmenetta (Eddie) Knox of Augusta, GA, and other children Elizabeth (James) Robinson of Jamaica, NY; Bernard (Rita) Sykes of Washington, D.C.; Herple (LaVon) Sykes of Baltimore, MD, and Michael Sykes of Petersburg, VA. Survivors also include 19 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren including Michelle Badgett, who was being raised by him at the time of his death. Mr. Perry is also survived by a host of other relatives, friends, and colleagues. He was predeceased by his siblings, Alberta Howard of New York City, Ora Wrighter of Buffalo, and Frank Perry of Macon, GA.



CELEBRATING
A LIFE OF SERVICE TO OTHERS



CHARLES I. PRICE, SR.
1926 ~ 2009

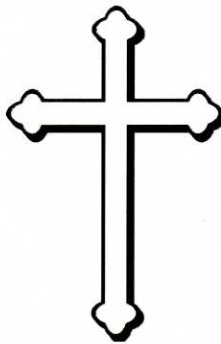
*"If I can just help somebody as I pass along,
Then my living shall not be in vain."*

CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND HOMEGOING
OF

CHARLES I. PRICE, SR.

1926 ~ 2009

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2009



OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC.
SERVICE AT 12:00 NOON

PRINCE HALL FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS
MASONIC SERVICE AT 12:30 PM

RECEIVING OF FRIENDS
1:00 PM

HOMEGOING CELEBRATION
2:00 PM

SAINT JOHN BAPTIST CHURCH
184 Goodell Street · Buffalo, New York

Reverend Michael Chapman
Pastor




A Letter to My Grandfather

Dear Grandpa:

*Your legacy will never die
I'm going to tell my kids about you, promise
And I'm going to keep my head held high
Though the pain I feel from missing you is indefinable
But I know you'd want me to wipe my eyes
So I can clearly see the path you left to follow
And I know you'd want me to order my steps in God's word
Though the reality He took you is just so hard to swallow
But no matter what, your legacy will never die
And I'm going to tell my kids about you, I promise
That you were the greatest man in my entire world
And anyone who knew you would say they're honored
Selfless, serving, and giving like no other
The absolute best Grandfather imaginable
I know for a fact that your legacy will never die
Because we're all going to keep it alive, I promise
I love you.*

Charise Patterson



A Note to Grandpa

These past few days have been very tough for me. I wake up every morning and wish it was a dream, but I soon realize it's not. I want to ask God every day, why did your time have to come so soon? I don't because I know he has a plan for everyone and because you have been such a kind and giving person for 83 years on this earth. It was time for you to sit back, relax and let all your grand children take your place. Even though I cry every day, I try not to. Instead, I sit back and remember everything you taught me in my 22 years of life. You weren't just a grandfather to me, you were also a friend. No matter what, you always took all your grand kids sides. In your eyes we could never do anything wrong. You will always be missed and never forgotten. I love you Grandpa!

Love Your Great Granddaughter Chanel

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF

CHARLES I. "BUNNY" PRICE, SR.

February 23, 1926 ~ November 5, 2009

Charles I. Price, Sr. was born in Cleveland, Ohio, the third of five sons born to the late Sherman and Sylvia Price. Soon after Charles's birth, the family moved to Buffalo, New York, where, in time, Charles would make his mark as a labor leader, founder and director of credit unions, advocate for civil rights, and community organizer.

The foundation for Charles's leadership skills began with his early education at Public School #75 and Hutchinson Central High School. His scholastic achievements as well as his extracurricular activities, including varsity football, earned him a scholarship from the L'Overture Club. That award helped pay for his attendance at Clark College in Atlanta, Georgia, (now Clark Atlanta University). During his matriculation at Clark, Charles carried a grade point average of 4.0.

For personal reasons, Charles cut short his stay at Clark College. He returned to Buffalo and continued his higher education at the University of Buffalo. While at UB, he began working at the Sylvania Electric plant. He advanced to the position of Troubleshooting Repairman and was the first African American to be trained for a skilled position at the plant. Charles put his new knowledge of electronics to use as a television repairman and eventually started a repair business with two associates.

The job at Sylvania remained his main source of income, but that ended when the plant relocated outside of Western New York. That setback turned out to be a blessing because it moved Charles to secure a job at the Chevrolet Metal Casting plant, a division of General Motors.

It was at the Chevrolet plant that Charles was first active in the United Auto Workers Union. Local 1173 of the UAW had a newspaper, and Charles became its Editor. That title provided the opportunity for him to attend the 1963 March on Washington, where he heard the Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. deliver his famous "I Have a Dream" speech. In 1959, UAW chapters won the right to establish federal credit unions, and Local 1173 started its own. Officials selected Charles to sit on the credit union's first Board of Directors and, more importantly, become Treasurer.

With Charles at the helm of the credit union's financial activities, the institution soon generated enough income through loans to members to hire four employees. As the credit union expanded, so did Charles's popularity. When a special election was held to replace some of the local union chapter's officers who had been removed by the national UAW, Charles was elected Secretary of Local 1173. In June of 1965, he won the office of President. A majority of candidates on his slate were also elected.

The new officers of the local changed a number of their predecessors' financial practices. Soon, Local 1173, which was almost \$40,000 in debt, became solvent. During Charles's tenure as President, the Local went on strike against GM. Contract settlement talks between the Local and GM were stormy and long prior to Charles's administration. After about eight weeks, Local 1173 officers presented members a settlement package that was ratified in less than 30 minutes.

Through his leadership, the local union grew more politically active and expanded its reach from Buffalo to Syracuse. In 1969, Charles was appointed to the national staff of the UAW and assigned to Region Nine in Western New York. The job further expanded Charles's actions in politics, civil rights, and community organizing. His education continued, too, as he attended special programs at Cornell and Rutgers Universities. Charles retired from the UAW in 1991.

His growing reputation as a leader brought Charles invitations to sit on the boards or be a charter member of many organizations, including the United Negro College Fund, People United for Sustainable Housing (PUSH), Project Equality, Meals on Wheels, Boy Scouts of America, Buffalo Negro Scholarship Foundation, BUILD of Buffalo, Black Development Foundation, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Seventy-Eight Restoration, Black Leadership Foundation, Housing Opportunities Made Equal (HOME), United Way of Buffalo and Erie County, Minority Coalition, One Hundred Black Men Club of Buffalo, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., and the Buffalo Urban League.

It was the Urban League, according to Charles, that pushed him to fully use his God-given talents. "It started in my youth," he recalled. "They taught us how to organize clubs, write by-laws, and learn parliamentary rules of order. Urban League officials like Evans Young and "Pops" Jackson motivated me and others to want to function in leadership capacities." As an adult, Charles not only was appointed to the Buffalo Urban League's Board of Directors, but also became Chairman of the Board for an unprecedented three terms.

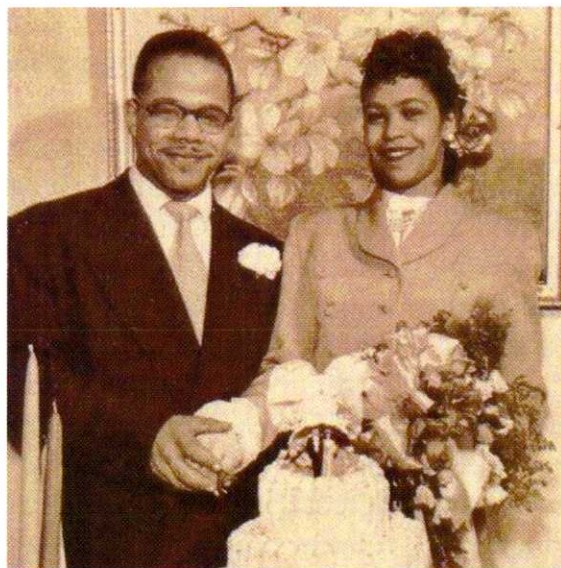
From his positions on other boards, Charles was able to maximize humanitarian efforts and had a hand in improving life for many residents of Buffalo and Erie County. He pushed the city to hire more African Americans as police officers and firefighters; built a daycare center for working mothers; secured a supermarket franchise for a poorly-served neighborhood; organized job training programs; and helped to start or run three federal credit unions. Charles's achievements and contributions did not go unnoticed. Plaques offering thanks or acknowledging his service cover three walls of his home office, and dozens more fill closet shelves.

Charles attributed most credit for his work to his faith and his family. He was an active member of Saint John Baptist Church for almost 70 years. He met his wife, Sallye Trott, while she was in high school. They married four years later and raised six children: Cheryl and Charles Jr. (both deceased), Charlene (Kevin) Price-Patterson, Carol (Keith) Harriston, Sherman (Natosha) and Carlton. "Sallye mothered our children and stood with me through all of our trials," Charles said. "She motivated me in my commitments and then went out and excelled in her own right. I was proud to be known as 'Sallye Price's husband.'"

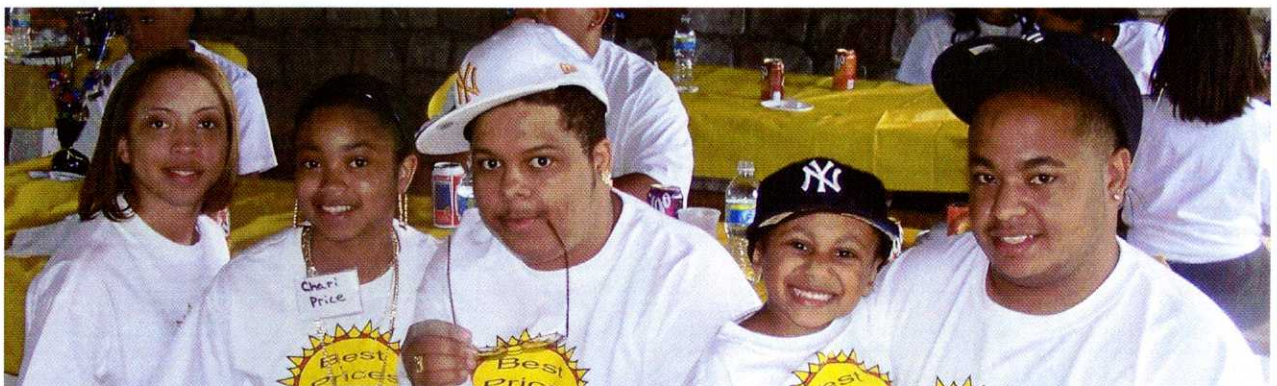
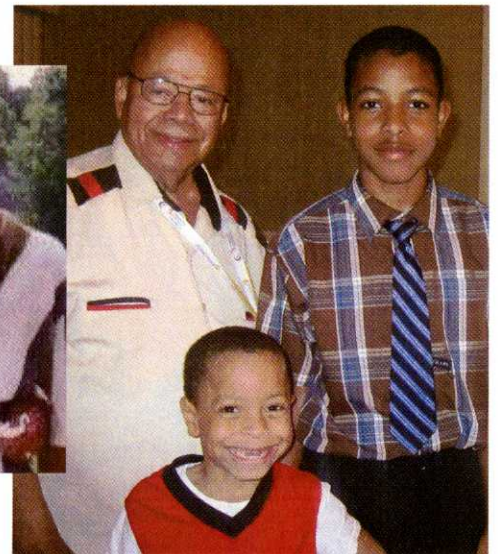
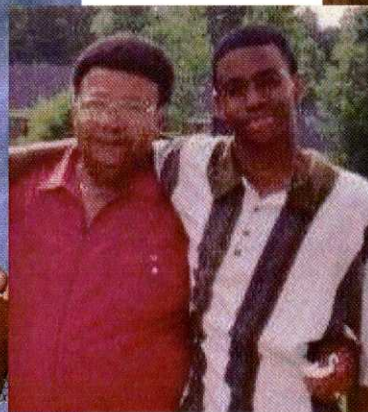
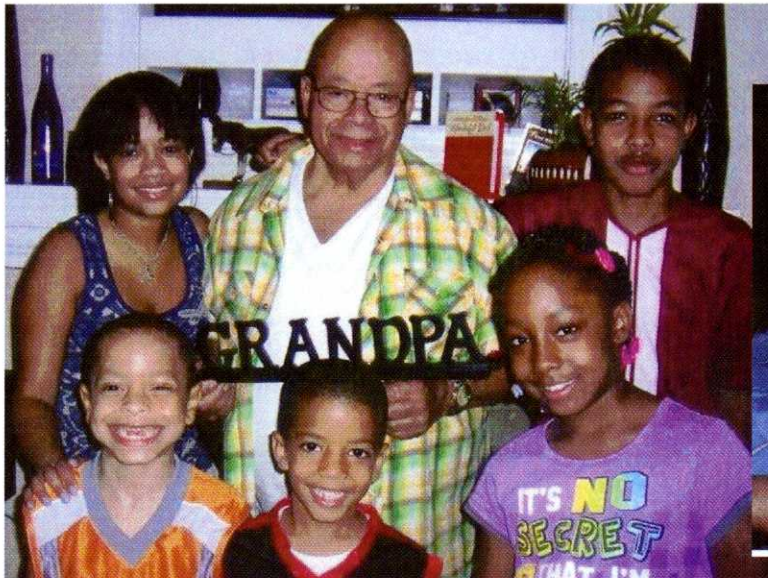
Charles was known for his big heart and his devotion to his family. He loved good food - talking about it, preparing it, and eating it. Travel, especially to visit his grandchildren, gave him much pleasure. He kept his cell phone within arm's reach. His children will always remember his personalized renditions of "Happy Birthday." He also possessed a hearty laugh that could fill every corner of a room.

Sallye passed away in 2003. In 2007, Charles moved from Buffalo to Charlotte, North Carolina. During his brief time in Charlotte, he touched many lives. On November 5, 2009, he entered eternal rest. In addition to his children, Charles is survived by a brother, Robert "Butch" Price, and grandchildren and great-grandchildren: Charise, Craig, Corey, Adrian, Dion, Miles, Cole, Niah, Christopher, Chanel, Chari, and Cameron.

Precious Family Memories ...



We Love You Grandpa



Words From Dad

Outside of my wife and family, the greatest fulfillment for me with the blessings given me has been to be able to successfully seek and obtain meaningful employment for so many people. I thank God that He enabled me to be a conduit through which so many lives were benefited with a better standard of living.

*Charles I. Price, Sr.
(Written December 2008)*



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

PALLBEARERS

Mr. Marvin Barge
Mr. Joseph Hill

Mr. Maurice Eldridge
Mr. Marlo Perry
Mr. Theodore Price, Jr.

Mr. Robert Grice
Mr. Nolley Price

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Mr. Carl Bess
Mr. Jesse Nash, Jr.

Mr. Hezekiah Brown
Mr. Vernon Reeves
The Honorable Wilbur Trammell

Mr. James Clark
Mr. Cliff Suggs

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Forest Lawn Cemetery
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SPECIAL THANK YOU

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184 Goodell Street · Buffalo, New York 14204

A special thank you to
Reverend Michael Chapman and the entire Saint John Baptist Church Family
for all of your love, prayers, and support.

On behalf of the entire Price Family, we express our heartfelt thanks
and deepest gratitude for your acts of thoughtfulness, words of kindness,
and prayers of love during this time of bereavement.
May God forever bless you and your family.



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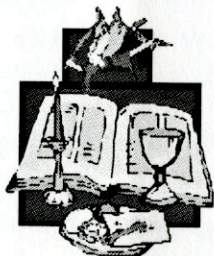
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Clifford Suggs
Wilbur Trammell

Acknowledgements and Thanks

The family would like to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for all of the many expressions of kindness. You may have called, visited, sent a card, flowers or perhaps you said a prayer. We want you to know that your thoughtfulness shall never be forgotten.



Arrangements Entrusted to:

H. Alfred Lewis
968 Jefferson Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14204



A Commemoration of the life of

Sallye Price

July 10, 1932 - May 30, 2003

St. Philip's Episcopal Church
18 Sussex Avenue ~ Buffalo, New York 14215

June 4, 2003

Presiding: The Rt. Rev. Michael Garrison
Bishop of Western New York

Celebrant: The Rev. Julius Jackson, Rector
St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Homilist: The Rev. Michael Chapman, Pastor
St. John Baptist Church, Buffalo, New York

Deacon: The Rev. Katherine Lwebuga-Mukasa
Organist: Hortense Nash and Gregory Treadwell

OBITUARY

Sallye Price, a retired manager of the Western Regional Off-Track Betting Corporation and an active member of St. Philip's Episcopal Church during five decades, died May 30, 2003. She was 70.

A native of Salisbury, N.C., Sallye moved to Buffalo in 1946 and graduated from Buffalo Evening High School. She also attended Erie Community College and Buffalo State College, where she studied early childhood education. During that time she worked at the Concentrated Employment Daycare and volunteered as secretary of the Northland Cooperative Nursery.

Sallye joined St. Philip's in 1959. Since that time she has served in a wide variety of capacities. Some of them include the Altar Guild, Quilters Guild, Food Bank and the Stewardship and Search Committees. She was treasurer of the Gospel Choir and vice president of the Adult Choir. Sallye also served as a member of the Episcopal Church Women and this year won an award from the Network of Religious Communities for her strong commitment to service.

A life member of the NAACP, Sallye for many years volunteered as an elections inspector in her voting precinct.

Sallye worked for OTB for 24 years, retiring in 1997 after managing several locations throughout Buffalo. Since her retirement, she spent more time enjoying her many grandchildren and hobbies, which include playing bridge, traveling, shopping and watching Buffalo Bills games. Known as a gracious hostess, Sallye especially was known for her peach cobbler and was quick to prepare that dessert and other dishes for her family, church or block club.

Sallye was married for 53 years to Charles I. Price Sr. She raised three sons, Charles Price Jr., Sherman Price and Carlton Price (grandson) of Buffalo; three daughters, the late Cheryl Price, Charlene Price-Patterson of Charlotte, N.C., and Carol Price Harriston of Cheverly, Md. Daughters-in-law include Natosha (Sherman) and Tamiko (Carlton); and two sons-in-law, Kevin Patterson and Keith Harriston. She had ten grandchildren: Carlton Price, Corey Price, Adrian Price, Craig Patterson, Charise Patterson, Miles Harriston, Deon Price, Niah Price, Cole Harriston and Christopher Price; and two great-grandchildren, Chanel and Chari Price.

Memorials can be made to the St. Philip's Episcopal Church Memorial Fund.

Ancient Hymn to a Dying Christian
Author Unknown

Sleep on, beloved, sleep and take thy rest,
Lay down thy head upon thy Savior's breast;
We love thee well, but Jesus loved thee best - Good Night.

Calm is thy slumber as an infant's sleep,
But thou shalt wake, no more to toil and weep,
Thine is a perfect rest, Secure and deep - Good Night.

Until the shadow from the earth is cast,
Until He gathers in His sheaves at last,
Until the twilight gloom is overpast - Good Night.

Until the Easter glory lights the skies,
Until the dead in Jesus shall arise,
And He shall come, but not in lowly guise - Good Night.

Until made beautiful by love divine,
Thou in the likeness of thy Lord shalt shine
And He shall bring that golden crown of thine - Good Night.

Only good-night, beloved, not farewell!
A little while, and all His saints shall dwell
In hallowed unison, indivisible - Good Night.

- Pallbearers -

William A Billups
Aaron P. Billups
Donald Riley

Michael D. Thomas
Victor D Reid
James Smoak

- Committal & Interment Rites -
Acacia Park & Resthaven Cemetery
North Tonawanda, New York

- Professional Services Entrusted to --
H. Alfred Lewis Mortuary
968 Jefferson Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14208

- Acknowledgment -

The family of Paula E. Reid wishes to express to you our most sincere gratitude for every prayer, every remembrance, every act of kindness and every act of love during our saddest hour.

*A Service of Praise and Thanksgiving
For The Life of Paula E. Reid
July 17, 1958 – June 6, 2001*

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*Wednesday, June 13, 2001
11:00 a.m.*

*The Lutheran Church of Our Savior
26 Brunswick Boulevard
Buffalo, New York 14208*

Clergy

Rev. Dr. Chris Wicher
Rev. Laughton Thomas
Rev. George F. Nicholas
Organist
Douglas Gaston III

Rest Eternal Grant Her, O Lord
and Let Light Perpetual Shine Upon Her

Obituary

Paula Ellen Reid passed away suddenly in her home in Rochester, New York on June 6, 2001, at the age of 42. She was the youngest child born to the union of Victor D. (deceased) and Sara E. (Nicholas) Reid.

Paula was raised and educated in Buffalo, New York, where she graduated from Nardin Academy (H. S.) in 1976.

Her childhood was indeed special. She loved school and had strong family ties that gave her many skills that she used in her adult life.

Paula graduated from the prestigious General Motors Institute in 1981 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering. After graduation, Paula worked as a Plant Engineer at the General Motors Foundry in Niagara Falls, New York. In 1982, Paula decided it was time for a change and accepted a position at Xerox Corporation in Rochester, New York.

Her professional life saw Paula excel in many areas. While at Xerox, she received several promotions, was awarded at least two patents, received many performance awards and obtained her

Masters Degree in Systems Engineering from the Rochester Institute of Technology. At the time of her homegoing, Paula was a Product Engineer Manager.

Despite her accomplishments, Paula was still a down-to-earth person, who enjoyed the simple pleasures of life.

Paula loved to putter around her house or relax by watching tapes of her favorite talk shows. She knitted several beautiful items for friends and had sown many to the skirts and dresses she wore. She supported many charitable causes, especially the College Fund/UNCF and Cancer Research. She was a league bowler and a creative cook. Paula looked forward to the Sunday Morning chat with Mom every week.

Mourning her passing are Sara E. Reid (Mom) of Buffalo, and sisters, Patricia Billups of Buffalo, Pamela E. (Laughton) Thomas of Lawrenceville, Virginia, brother, Victor D. (Lynne) Reid of Amherst, special friend, Roy Battle of Rochester, best buds, Don, Jim, Margaret and Lori; many relatives and many friends. We miss and love you, Paula.

PALL BEARERS

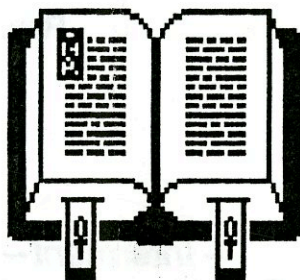
The Nephews



I will bless the Lord at all times: His praise shall continuously be in my mouth.

My soul shall make His boast in the Lord; the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

Psalm 34



The family wishes to express their heartfelt appreciation for the kind expressions of love during this period of bereavement.

The Home Going Service

for

CLYDE RICHARDS

May 27, 1912

February 18, 1995



Friday, February 24, 1995

1:00 P.M.

Thomas T. Edwards Funeral Home, Inc.
995 Genesee Street - Buffalo, New York 14211

Rev. Robert L. Graham, Pastor
Rev. Otis D. Vaughn, Officiating

OBITUARY

Clyde Richards was born May 27, 1912 and went to eternal rest February 18, 1995.

Clyde was a son of Mamie and Robert Richards, born in Athens, Georgia where he attended school. He attended and graduated from Allen University in So. Carolina.

Clyde was a member of the Delaware Avenue Baptist Church since November 7, 1976, where he served faithfully.

He served in the United States Army from December 19, 1942 as a Shipping Clerk and received the Bronze Star and Victory Medal for service in the Central Burma, China, India Theater. He received an Honorable Discharge October 21, 1945.

Clyde Richards was employed at Linde Air for many years.

He leaves to mourn one brother, Jonathan (Mae) Richards and one sister Dellora (Booker) Lewis, six nieces, seven nephews, several cousins and other relatives and friends.*

**Clyde was preceded in death by two brothers, Charles Robert.*

ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude	Bro. George Davis
Invocation	Rev. Otis D. Vaughn
Hymn of Assurance	"Blessed Assurance"
Scripture Lesson	Rev. Otis D. Vaughn
Pastoral Prayer	
Solo	Mrs. Ollie Jones
Acknowledgments	Sis. Mary Hudgins
Obituary	
Hymn of Comfort	"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"
Eulogy	Rev. Otis D. Vaughn
Benediction	The Minister
Recessional	

~ Interment ~
Forest Lawn Cemetery



– Pallbearers –
The Men's Club of
Our Savior Lutheran Church

– Floralbearers –
Friends of the family



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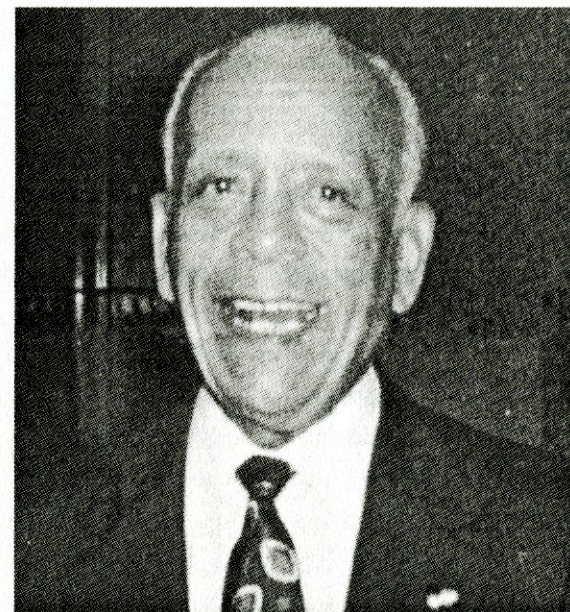
– Acknowledgment –
The family of "Eggie" Riding wishes to
express to you our most sincere gratitude for
every prayer, every remembrance, every act of
kindness and every act of love during our saddest
hour.

In Loving Memory
of

Albert "Eggie" Riding

Nov. 4, 1912

July 10, 2000



Friday, July 14, 2000
Wake: 11:00 a.m.
Service: 12:00 noon

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH
26 Brunswick Blvd.
Buffalo, New York 14208

- Officiants -
Rev. Steven M. Saxe
Deacon Curtis Rue
Organist Douglas Gaston

- Obituary -

Albert "Eggie" Riding

Albert Riding was born on November 4, 1912 in St. Louis, Missouri, one of eight children. After spending his younger years in St. Louis, he met and married Mary Virginia and moved to Buffalo in 1935. From this union two children were born, William (Billy, deceased) and Sharon (Mickie).

As a young musician Eggie, as he is affectionately known, played music professionally with many famous orchestras and appeared with such jazz greats as Roy Eldridge, Art Tatum, Billy Eckstine and Art Blakely, to name a few. Al was a member of the Colored Musicians Club and was a dues paying member of the International Musicians Union.

Albert and Mary joined the Lutheran Church of Our Savior in 1957 and both were faithful in Christian service. Albert was predeceased by Mary, his wife of sixty-five years, in 1995 and until his death remained steadfast in service. He was a member of the Deacon Board, Music Committee, Board of Christian Education and the Finance Committee

Albert Riding was the Director of Housing Relocation for the city of Buffalo for many years before his retirement.

Eggie's final comments to his daughter and son-in-law was that he was scheduled to play a "gig" a week and a half ago but was rained out. Happily he said, "I got half of scale anyhow".

Albert leaves to mourn him, a brother James (Pick) of Hannibal, MD., a sister Marge Williams of Hannibal, MD., a daughter Sharon (Harvey) Washington of Ohio, a daughter-in-law Derutha Riding, seven grandchildren, five great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, his Our Savior family and many friends.

Albert "Eggie" Riding will be missed.

- Order of Service -

Tolling of the Bells

Processional #439 "What a Friend We Have In Jesus"

Prayer

Scripture Reading-

Old Testament Psalm 23

New Testament Romans 5:1-6

Selection

**Medley of Songs
by friends or fellow musicians**

Obituary

Acknowledgments

Friends Comments

Selection

Homily

Apostle's Creed Page 85, hymnal front

Lord's Prayer

Commendation

Benediction

Recessional Hymn # 532 "How Great Thou Art!"

- Officiants -

Rev. Steven M. Saxe

Deacon Curtis Rue

Organist Douglas Gaston

*SOME PEOPLE COME INTO OUR LIVES
AND QUICKLY GO
SOME STAY FOR AWHILE
AND LEAVE FOOTPRINTS
ON OUR HEARTS
AND WE ARE NEVER THE SAME*



Interment
Forest Lawn Cemetery

Ballbearers

Vincent Riding
Robert Holmes
Curtis Quarles

Fred Hord
Eli Fletcher
Robert Johnson

Arrangements Entrusted To

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**In Loving Memory
of
Mary Virginia Riding
1912 — 1995**



**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1994
12:00 Noon**

**The Lutheran Church Of Our Savior
26 Brunswick Boulevard
Buffalo, New York 14208-1538**



**Pastor Steven M. Saxe
Officiating**



Obituary



Mary Virginia Riding was born on July 28, 1912 in Hannibal, Missouri, where she received her education. She graduated from Douglas High School and on September 4, 1930 married her high school sweetheart: Albert Riding.

After spending a few years in Missouri, the Ridings moved to Buffalo, New York in 1935. From this blessed union two children were born: William (Billy) and Sharon (Mickey). Mary accepted Christ in her life at an early age and became a member of The Lutheran Church of Our Savior in January 1957. She remained faithful in service until the Lord called her from this life to her eternal home.

Mary was active in the Ladies Aid, The Missionary League and the Aid Association for Lutherans. She worked diligently at serving her church and held office as Secretary and Sunshine Committee Chairman in the Ladies Aid, always showing a willingness to do her share. Mary was a woman of the times and her popularity reached in many directions. Mary enjoyed playing bridge and other card games, belonging to many clubs and other organizations. She was spirited and helpful to many.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her loving husband of sixty five years: Albert "Eggie"; her children: William (De Rutha), Sharon (Harvey); her grandchildren: Gregory, Denise, Craig, Vincent, Shelia, Vanessa and Derek; other relatives, the Our Savior Family, and many other dear and close friends.

Mary Virginia Riding will be missed.

Order of Service



Tolling of Bells

Processional

Hymn #439..... "What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

Prayer

Old Testament Reading..... Psalm 23

Selection Senior Choir of
The Lutheran Church of Our Savior

Epistle Reading..... II Timothy 4:6-8

Solo..... "Precious Lord", Take My Hand"
Mr. Jeffrey Burton

Acknowledgements and Obituary

The Holy Gospel St. John 14:1-6

Homily

Apostle's Creed Page 85, hymnal front

Lord's Prayer

Commendation

Benediction

Recessional Hymn #532..... "How Great Thou Art!"



Officiants

Rev. Steven M. Saxe
Deacon Clifford Bell
Deacon Curtis Rue
Organist Tim Kennedy

Pall Bearers
Our Savior Men's Club

- Poem -

COMES THE DAWN

*After a while you learn the subtle difference
Between holding a hand and chaining a soul,
And you learn that love doesn't mean leaning
And company doesn't mean security,
And you begin to learn that kisses aren't contracts
And presents aren't promises,
And you begin to accept your defeats
With your head up and your eyes open,
With the grace of a woman, not the grief of a child,*

*And learn to build all your roads
On today because tomorrow's ground
Is too uncertain for plans, and futures have
A way a falling down in mid-flight.
After a while you learn that even sunshine
Burns if you get too much.
So you plant your own garden and decorate
Your own soul, instead of waiting
For someone to bring you flowers.
And you learn that you really can endure...
That you really are strong
And you really do have worth.
And you learn and learn...
With every goodbye you learn.*

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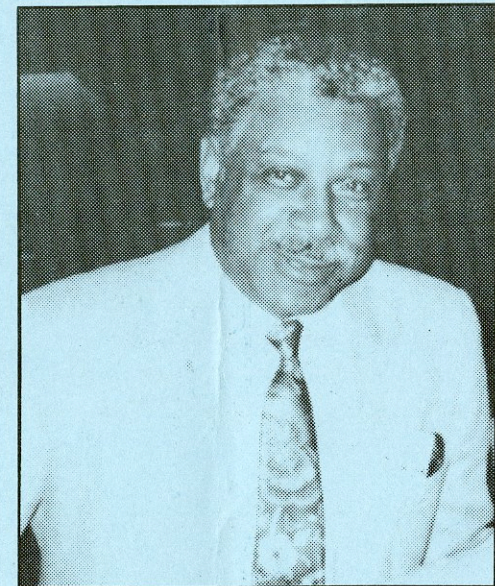
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**In Loving Memory
of
William Roland Riding**

May 8, 1931 to March 10, 1996



**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 1996
11:00 a.m.**

The Lutheran Church Of Our Savior

26 Brunswick Boulevard
Buffalo, New York 14208

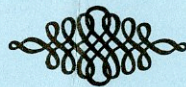


Obituary



William Roland Riding was born on May 8, 1931 in Hannibal, Mo. to Albert William Riding and the late Mary Lewis Riding. The Ridings moved to Buffalo, New York in 1935 with their son, William. "Bill", as he was affectionately known, attended Buffalo Public Schools and went on to work for Durez Plastic. A person who was always willing to go the extra mile, Bill became a dedicated employee of the V.A. Medical Center and after years of faithful service retired. Bill was active with C.A.O. / Wider Horizons programs for a number of years. One of Bill's special loves was the Our Savior Men's Club where his energy and ideas were essential to the club's mission.

He leaves to mourn his passing, his devoted wife DeRutha Blue, his father Albert Riding, a sister Sharon (Harvey) Washington of Defiance, Ohio, six children; Vanessa Cecelia, Gregory, Denise, Craig, Vincent and Shelia, one nephew Derek Jackson, Aunt Margaret William, two uncles; James (pick) Riding and Robert (Bobby) Riding and a host of other relatives and friends.



Order of Service



The Bells

Entrance Hymn ——— *"Soon And Very Soon"*

Prayer

1st Lesson ——— *Romans 5:1-5*

2nd Lesson ——— *Psalms 121*

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Gospel ——— *John 14:1-6*

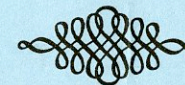
Homily

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Commendation

Benediction

Departure Hymn ——— *"How Great Thou Art"*



Ballbearers

*Masons
Paramount Lodge #73*

~ To Those I Love and Those Who Love Me ~

*When I am gone, release me, let me go -
I have so many things to see and do, you must 'nt tie yourself to me with tears,
be happy that we had these years.*

*I gave you my love, and you can only guess how much you gave me in
happiness. I thank you for the love you each have shown, but now its time
I traveled on alone.*

*So grieve for me awhile, if grieve you must, then let your grief be
comforted by trust. Its only for awhile that we must part, so bless the
memories within your heart.*

*I won't be far away, for life goes on, so if you need me call and I will come.
Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near, and if you listen with your
heart, you will hear all my love around you soft and clear.*

*And then when you must come this way alone, I'll greet you with a smile and
say, "WELCOME HOME."*

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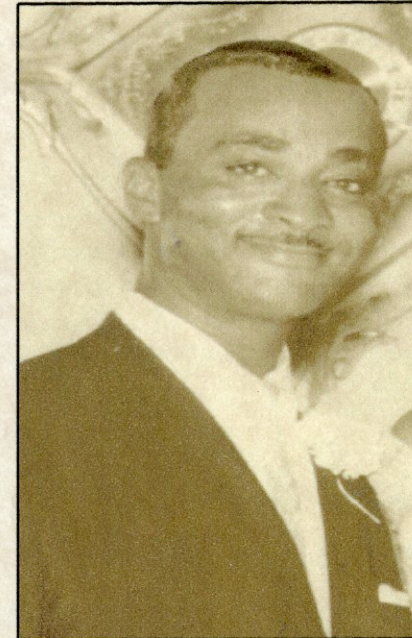
The family of Isham C. Robinson gratefully acknowledge
and deeply appreciate the divine love you have shown in
seeing us through a most difficult time. We pray God's
blessings upon each of you.

The Family

Auspices

Providence Memorial Chapel, Inc.
1275 Sycamore Street, Buffalo, NY 14211

*Homegoing Service
of*



Sunrise
October 7, 1917

Sunset
July 17, 2001

SATURDAY, JULY 21, 2001

Wake: 10:00 a.m.

Funeral: 11:00 a.m.

First Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church
15 Pine Street
Buffalo, New York



Reverend A. McKinley Royal - Pastor, Presiding

Obituary



Isham C. Robinson was born on October 7, 1917 to Willie "Jack" Robinson and Sarah Alberta Robinson in Heath Springs, South Carolina.

His family moved to Buffalo, New York in 1922. Soon thereafter he was converted and became an active member in St. Paul Methodist Church. In the early 1970's he continued his fellowship by uniting with the First Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Rev. Elijah J. Echols, Jr. It was there that he was a faithful member until he was overcome with illness.

Isham was educated in the Buffalo Public School system and a graduate of Fosdick Masten High School.

He was united in holy matrimony with Anna Grace Sanford.

While his life encompassed many interests, he was an avid member of the Masons, Paramount Lodge #73.

Isham was employed at the Chevrolet Plant for over 15 years until his retirement of many years of dedicated service.

He leaves to cherish his memory, a loving and devoted wife: Anna Grace, his sons and daughters: Dr. Roderick L. of New York City; Judyth A. Costner of Baltimore, Maryland; Janat A., Lauris D. (Dezell) Robinson all of Buffalo, NY and a loving sister-in-law: Evelyn Moss. He is also survived by his grandchildren: Stefanie D. & Kellie L. Costner, Amir J. Robinson, Ahman R. Johnson and Sharif K. Robinson, a niece: Valerie L. Robinson. Besides the above, he leaves a host of relatives and friends.

He was predeceased by his brother: Lawrence L., a sister: Mary C. Robinson and a brother-in-law: Charles Sanford.

Order of Service



Musical Prelude

Invocation

Congregational Hymn....."Blessed Assurance" Pg. 27

Scripture Reading

Old Testament.....Psalms 23

New Testament.....1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. A. McKinley Royal

Remarks (2 minutes please).....Family & Friends

Acknowledgements.....Deacon Betty Hunt

Resolution..... " " "

Reading of Obituary.....Deacon Betty Hunt

Solo.....Sis. Bessie Patterson
Free Spirit Baptist Church

Eulogy.....Rev. A. McKinley Royal

Recessional....."Bright Crown"

Interment

Rosewood West Atrium Mausoleum
Forest Lawn Cemetery

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INTERMENT

Forest Lawn Cemetery

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THE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOR
26 Brunswick Boulevard
Buffalo, NY 14208

AUGUST 8, 1994

CHARLES E. RUSH

MARCH 12, 1913 - AUGUST 3, 1994

OBITUARY

Charles E. Rush was born March 12, 1913, in Bennettsville, South Carolina, the son of the late Blaine and Anna Rush. He moved to Buffalo at the age of 12 and attended school, graduating from Bennett High School. In 1935 Charles married Sarah Legree and to this union three children were born. As a local businessman he was actively involved in Democratic politics as a committeeman and ward leader. He was a member of the Ross Freeman Democratic Club and other political and civic organizations, where his leadership helped to mold a better Buffalo. Charles joined the Lutheran Church of Our Savior in 1959 and was a faithful member until illness befell him. Before his retirement, "Eggshell," as he was affectionately referred to, was Deputy City Clerk where he performed his tasks well. Charles E. Rush was called to his final reward on Wednesday, August 3, 1994, after a long illness. He leaves to mourn his passing, a loving wife, Sarah; two sons, Charles E., Jr. (Marjorie) of Albany, New York; Blaine (Theresa) of Buffalo; and a daughter, Sheila Rush of Mountain View, California; two grandsons, Charles III and Joseph; and many other relatives and friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE

THE BELLS

PROCESSIONAL

ENTRANCE HYMN What a Friend We Have In
Jesus (#439)

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 100

SONG Beautiful Savior (#518)

NEW TESTAMENT John 14, 1-6

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS Blaine Rush

OBITUARY

HOMILY Rev. Carl Streufert

PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL Amazing Grace (#448)

OFFICIANTS Rev. Carl Streufert
Deacon Clifford Bell
Music - Joyce Mathis

A Celebration of the Life
of
Andre Sanders, Sr.



Sunrise

August 22, 1955

Sunset

January 6, 2010

Funeral Services

11:00AM

Wednesday, January 13, 2010

First Shiloh Baptist Church
15 Pine Street ~ Buffalo, New York 14204
Rev. Jonathan R. Staples, Senior Pastor
Officiating

Obituary

Andre Sanders was God's gift to Doretha Sanders and his stepfather, Amos Belk. He was born on August 22, 1955 in Buffalo, New York and was the fourth of eight children. Andre attended East High School, graduating in 1974. On March 22, 1986, he married his high school sweetheart, formerly Verna Clemons. Their union was blessed with three children: Andre Jr., Nina and Courtney.

Andre was employed at Sloan Steel and at Baker Victory Services until he became disabled in 1994. He was known for being a very ambitious and determined entrepreneur. Some of his many business endeavors included auto detailing, landscaping, power washing, concert and party promoting (Andre Productions) and a food stand owner.

Andre was an active, faithful member of First Shiloh Baptist Church of Buffalo under the pastorate of Reverend Jonathan Staples. Although Andre will be remembered for his good sense of humor, his cooking and entertaining, and his willingness to always lend a helping hand, he will be most remembered as a man who truly loved his family.

On early Wednesday morning, January 6, 2010, Andre Sanders left this earthly place for a heavenly place. He was preceded in death by his childhood guardian, Wynnell Smith; his stepfather Amos Belk, his brother Reginald Sanders and his grandson Latrell Andre Sanders. Andre's loving memory will be cherished by his wife and love of 36 years, Verna; his beloved children: one son, Andre Jr. (Yvonne) and two daughters: Nina (Cornell) Schultz and Courtney Sanders (Jason); five grandsons: Andre Jr., Trevon, Cornell Nylen, Jason, and Jay'len; his mother, Doretha Belk; three brothers: Roland (Judy), Anthony and Dwayne; three sisters: Ida (Emmanuel) and Carmella and Trina Belk; one aunt: Doris Sanders; one uncle: Delawrence Sanders; his mother-in-law Dolores Clemons, and a host of brothers and sisters-in-laws, nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.

Expressions of Love ...

Andre, I'm so overwhelmed that I can't even begin to write my feelings in words, but you know how I feel by the way we expressed our love for one another the last time we talked right before you went away. I pray that you have finally found your peace in the Lord. **Love, Verna (Cakes) - Dad**, I never thought I would be writing you this so soon. You have raised me to become a man that takes care of his family and responsibilities. You taught me to love and care for those around me. I am an image of you; so to say you're gone, "NO WAY". They will see you in me. I promise to carry your name proudly as you would have wanted me to. Dad, I love you so much and will miss you dearly. I pray that the Lord keep you until I can see you again. **Your son Andre - Dad**, you've done what every real Father does for his daughter, you always made me feel safe whether in your presence or not. Our relationship was one that could be envied. You truly spoiled me with your love. You were so much more than a dad, while growing up, you became my friend, my safety net, my biggest fan, and some would say my "husband" (smile). You know how they called me your second wife- I was too jealous to share you, always nagging you for things, and there were continuous arguments all the time!!! LOL. Like every real relationship we experienced sunshine and rain, but one thing is for sure, our love always endured. I will always hold dear to my heart our special moments... you know what they are. And I will always remember your beautiful smile and the sound of your laughter that fills my heart with contentment. I want to say Thank You Dad, for your sense of humor that never allowed a stale moment to pass, for all your encouragement and always believing in me, for your protectiveness and guidance, for always challenging me to be a strong woman- that strength is needed today. And finally, for being a real Father who's love was unconditional and never ending. This world needs more Fathers like you. I love you. I will never stop believing in the man that I know you were. - Remember how you used to tell me to "Stay Focused", well I'll forever stay focused on that. I promise. **Daddy's Girl, Nina - Dad**, let me start by saying I will never forget you. I miss you so much. I never thought I would be writing this letter in a million years. There are so many thoughts going through my mind at this point. Dad I never thought I would miss those early morning calls or just a call to say, "Hi Baby Doll." I keep calling your phone just to hear your voice. Now I can't wait until I close my eyes at night so we can be together again. **You daughter, Courtney - Dear Poppa**, Thank you for the good times you shared with me and for all the life lessons you taught me. Even though you are gone you will not be forgotten. Just know I'll be missing you. **Your grandson Andre - Poppa**, I will always love you. I will miss the times we spent together over the summers. Please watch over me while you're in heaven. **Your grandson Trevon - Andre**, You had to leave us but we will always remember your smile and your BBQ's. You will be missed. Love you always and you will always be in my heart. **Your favorite sister Colleen I love you uncle Andre**. Words cannot explain my pain. I feel you were like a father to me. You always called me your favorite niece. I will always remember the good times we had together. You will always be in my heart as my favorite uncle. **Love Shnikie - You** were always just a call away. Whenever I needed you, you were there. I will miss you uncle Andre. You can rest now. I love you. **Camille - Dear Uncle Andre**, words cant express how I am feeling right now. Just know that you will be dearly missed. Say hello to Mr. Bill for me. I will never stop loving you. **Darnishia - To My Brother**, You took a part of me when you left, but you left a part of you that I will always carry in my heart. I will truly miss you. **Love your baby sister Trina - Uncle Andre** please understand that no words can fully express what I really want to say. What keeps me at peace is seeing you sitting on grandma's couch and the smile on your face when you see me. I still hear your voice and your favorite thing to say "Hey niece!!!" **Joselyn - Dre**, I'm going to miss your friendship, **Your friend Russell McCleod - You're my brother** foremost anything. I'll miss our long talks at fishing while hanging together. These are memories I will hold dearest to my heart because you were there when I needed an ear. I'll miss you my brother, **Carlos - Uncle**, not only were you just my uncle, you were like a father to all of us. You will be deeply missed and may you rest in peace, Love always and forever, **Niece Val**

Pallbearers

Clarence Allen
Carl Hill
Joseph Morey
Clayburn Powell

Derek Clemons
Andre Lott
Kahil Myree

Andre Cook
Russell McCleod
Solomon Myree, Jr.
William Pulliam

Honorary Pallbearers

Russell Mosby

DeJohn Strong

Norman Wurtz

Auspices

T. L. Pickens Mortuary Services, Inc.
605 Masten Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14209
(716) 893-0084

Interment

St. Matthews Cemetery
180 French Road
West Seneca, New York 14224

Repast

Immediately following Interment, the immediate Family will receive Family & Close Friends at
First Shiloh Baptist Church

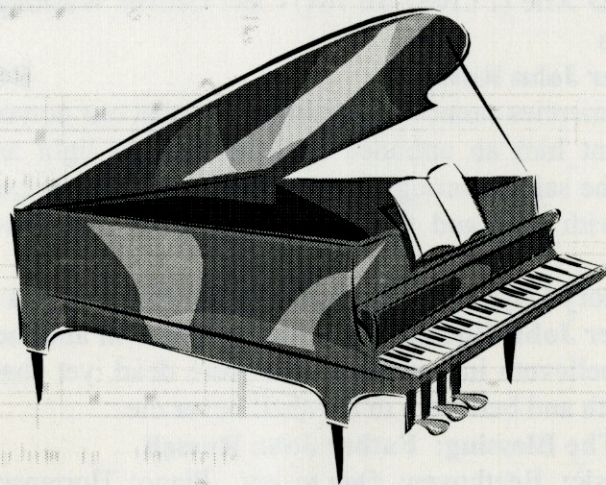
Thank You...

We, the family, would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone for your prayers, visits, calls, words of encouragement and kind deeds during our hour of bereavement. Again we say, thank you, and please keep us in your prayers.

The Family of Andre Sanders, Sr.

In Loving Memory of
Cleon O. Service

March 23, 1916 -
October 24, 2001



St. Philip's Episcopal Church

18 Sussex Avenue

Buffalo, New York 14215

The Reverend John A. Russell, Interim Rector

Saturday

October 27, 2001

11:00 A.M.



To celebrate the
melody of
Cleon Service ...

St. Philip's Episcopal Church
18 Sussex Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14215
The Reverend John A. Russell, Interim Rector

Saturday, October 27, 2001

The Commemoration of the Life of
Cleon O. Service

Welcome Music: Mozart: Adagio in E Major / Rondo in C Major
Violin: Simon Standage

Call to Worship: The Reverend John A. Russell, Interim Rector

We have come together today to celebrate the life of Cleon Service, not to mourn him. We will do so with God's help through prayer and music.

Give courage and faith to those who are bereaved, that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the comfort of a reasonable and holy hope, in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love, Amen.

Anthem (all standing): **BCP page 469**

- 1) I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.
- 2) I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; and though this body be destroyed, yet shall I see God; whom I shall see for myself and mine eyes shall behold, and not as a stranger.
- 3) For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. For if we live, we live unto the Lord; and if we die, we die unto the Lord. Whether we live, therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.

Music: I Know That My Redeemer Liveth / From: Handel's Messiah

Prayer (all standing): I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; and though this body be destroyed, yet shall I see God; whom I shall see for myself and mine eyes shall behold, and not as a stranger.

Music: Beethoven Piano Concerto 5 in E flat, Op. 73 "Emperor" / Rondo
Piano: Claudio Arrau Conductor: Sir Colin Davis

Prayer & Message Read By: Jonathan Clark: For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. For if we live, we live unto the Lord; and if we die, we die unto the Lord. Whether we live, therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.

Cleon Service lived unto the Lord, giving generously of himself to family, friends, community and business associates.

Music: E Lucevan Le Stelle (The Stars Were Shining) / By: Placido Domingo From: Puccini's Tosca

Homily, Scripture & Prayer: Father John Russell: Scripture, Tribute to Cleon Service, Prayer

Reading of the Gospel of St. John 14:1-6:

Jesus said, "Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life, no one comes to the Father but by me."

Prayer (all recite together): The Lord's Prayer

Message Read By: Jonathan Clark: Thank you, Cleon, for a life lived well and humbly, always respectful of your faith and your God. Thank you, God, for Your guiding hand to this Your devoted servant. We reaped the benefits of Your abiding love through Cleon. Thank you for bestowing on him a love of, and a gift for music and a caring respect towards the arts.

Music: Vissi D'Arte (I Lived for Art) / By: Grover Washington Jr. From: Puccini's Tosca

Prayer: Father John Russell: **BCP page 470**
O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of Cleon and grant him an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of the saints; through Jesus Christ, thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Music: Oh, Glory / By: Kathleen Battle Flute: Hubert Laws / Orchestra

Prayer: Father John Russell: I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

The Peace & The Blessing: Father John Russell

Departing Music: Beethoven: Ode to Joy Piano: Hortense Nash

Acknowledgements and Thanks:

For all the acts of compassion,
love and sympathy at this time of bereavement,
the family thanks you.

Reception to Follow Immediately Downstairs



*Celebrating The Life Of Our Beloved
Sylvia Consuelo Simmons*



Sunrise
June 16, 1920

Sunset
November 9, 2009

Saturday, November 21, 2009

Visitation: 10 A.M. † Mass: 11 A.M.

**Blessed Trinity Church
317 Leroy Avenue - Buffalo, New York**

*Reverend George L. Reger
Officiating*



Mass of Christian Burial

Processional "Amazing Grace"
First Reading From the Book of Proverbs
Responsorial Psalm Bridget Dick-Cantor
"Shepherd Me O God" #481
Second Reading ... St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians
Gospel Father Reger
From the Gospel of John
Homily Father Reger
Prayer of the faithful Sister Barbara Horan
Offertory "These Alone Are Enough" #390
Holy, Holy, Holy (sung)
Lamb of God (sung)
Communion Hymn "Precious Lord" #697
Obituary/Acknowledgment Gwendolyn Bennett
Song of Farewell "Ava Maria"
Recessional "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"

Instrumental

Acknowledgment

We wish to thank you for your expressions of
comfort, your cards, floral tributes, and
kindness. It is our prayer that love abound in
your lives always as it did in our lives with
Sylvia Consuelo Simmons.

Sylvia Consuelo Simmons.

968 Jefferson Avenue Buffalo, NY 14204



The Rev. Dr. Bennett Walker Smith, Sr.
April 7, 1933 - August 7, 2001



Program for Wake



Music

Songs of Praise

Guest Choirs and Musicians

St. John Baptist Church Choirs

Fraternal and Masonic Services

Buffalo Alumni Chapter
Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.



Hadji Temple No. A.E.A.O.N.M.S. [PHA]
Bison Consistory No. 29 A.A.S.R. [PHA]
Paramount Lodge No. 73 F&AM Prince Hall



Closing Service

Scripture
Prayer

The Reverend Dr. G. Stanford Bratton
Executive Director of Network of Religious Community

But those who
hope in the LORD
will renew their STRENGTH.
They will SOAR on
wings like eagles;
they will RUN and
not grow weary,
they will WALK
and not be faint.

Isaiah 40:31



Acknowledgments

There is no doubt that God is good. And in times like these, to the natural eye it may seem doubtful, but to the spiritual eye one can yet see the handiwork of God. He extends Himself in so many ways, and one way is through people, such as yourselves, who have expressed their care and love at such a time as this. So, on behalf of the Smith family, please accept this token of thanks for all that you have done in helping us endure this most difficult time.

Mrs. Marilyn J. Smith

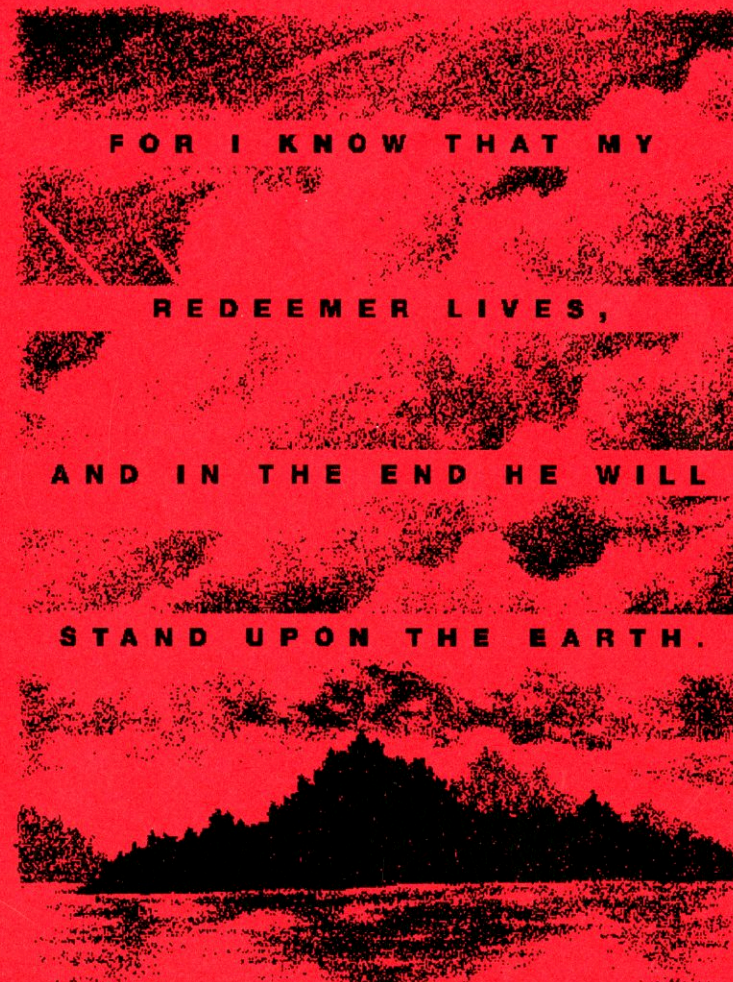


It is at times such as this that ecclesiastical leader is most important. And when the shepherd precedes his flock, the lost is greater than the natural eye can discern. But we do not grieve as without hope. Moreover, we realize that the Father had already prepared us by surrounding us with other believers. So please accept our sincere thanks for all of the kindnesses you have shown toward this part of the Lord's vineyard. Again, we say thank you and the peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your heart and mind.

The St. John Church Family

*St. John Baptist Church
Buffalo, New York*

*Tuesday, 14 August 2001
Visitation 12 Noon - 8 PM*



J O B 1 9 : 2 5

Pallbearers

Samuel Brown
Robert Neal Brown, Jr.
Jermaine Brown

Melvin Leonard
Jerrell G. Moss
E. Paul Smith

Safely Home

I am home in heaven, dear ones
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
in this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief are over,
every restless tossing passed.
I am now at peace forever
Safely home in heaven at last.

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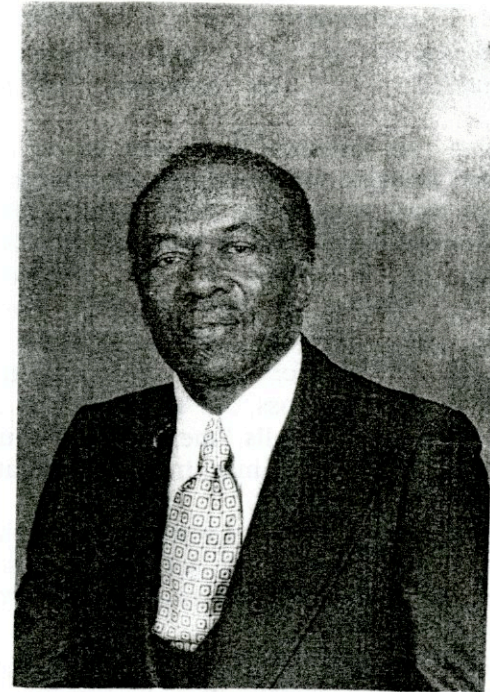
We would like to thank you for your many acts of kindness shown during this difficult time. We are grateful for your consolation and continued prayers of comfort.

The family of the late Moses H. Smothers

Auspices

H. Alfred Lewis Mortuary, Inc.
968 Jefferson Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14209

In Loving Memory
of



Moses Hayward Smothers

August 13, 1913 - November 20, 2001

*Friday, November 23, 2001
12:00 PM*

*First Shiloh Baptist Church
15 Pine Street
Buffalo, New York 14204*

*Rev. A. McKinley Royal, M. Div.
Pastor*

Obituary



Moses H. Smothers was born to Hayward Smothers and Martha Brassell Smothers in Mount Meigs, Alabama on August 9, 1913. He was the third of twelve children. As a young man, he attended the Peoples Village School and received his Christian education at Antioch Baptist Church in Mount Meigs, Alabama. After moving to Malakoff, Texas, Moses attended the Texas Henderson County Training School.

Moses met Thelma Thompson in Malakoff, Texas. They married in April, 1942 and moved to Buffalo later that year. Moses united with the First Shiloh Baptist Church, under the leadership of the late Rev. E. J. Echols, Sr.

Moses had a variety of work experiences, which included coal mining for the Malakoff Fuel Company, constructing army training camps in Brownwood and Fort Worth, Texas, driving for a private service that shuttled soldiers on furlough across the country, and making war materials at the Niagara Falls Smelting Aluminum Plant for 22 years. He worked as a machine operator at Blaw Knox until his retirement in 1977.

He was always fun to be with because he was a gifted storyteller. He loved to tell tall tales about his grandfather, Jim Smothers and often shared stories about his early years in Buffalo.

In addition to his love for God's Word, Moses found bowling relaxing and bowled in a league for 3 years. He enjoyed listening to the music of the legendary B.B. King and had an extensive music collection.

Moses enjoyed driving. He was known for driving brand new buicks.

He was preceded in death by his wife Thelma, his siblings Missouri, Charlie, Martha Ray, Juanita, Cornelia, Pearl and Perry. He is survived by his sisters Rochelle S. Davis of Buffalo, New York, Ruby Barron (Jesse) of Malakoff, Texas; his brothers John B. (Bertha) of Montgomery, Alabama and Bernard of Cleveland, Ohio; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Order of Service



Musical Prelude

Processional.....Mrs. Karen Williams

Invocation

Solo....."The Lord's Prayer"
Miss Christy Smothers

Scripture Readings

Old Testament.....Psalm 121

New Testament.....St. John 14:26-29

Congregational Song....."It Is Well" #189

Prayer of Comfort

Solo.....Mrs. Keisha Satcher

Reflections.....Rev. Harley Smothers

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Church Resolution

Obituary.....Deacon Betty D. Hunt

Song of Preparation....."Amazing Grace" #132
Mrs. Karen Williams

Eulogy.....Psstor A. McKinley Royal

Recessional....."I Love You, Lord!"

Interment.....Forest Lawn Cemetery



THE MEASURE OF A MAN
Author Unknown

Not "How did he die?" But, how did he live?"
Not "What did he gain?" But, "What did he give?"
Not "What was his station?" But, "Had he a heart?"
And "How did he play his God-given part?"
Not "What was his shrine?" Nor, "What was his creed?"
But, "Had he befriended those really in need?"
Not "What did the piece in the newspaper say?"
But, "How many were sorry when he passed away?"
Was he ever ready with a word or good cheer,
To bring back a smile, to banish a tear?
These are the units to measure the worth
Of a man as a man, regardless of birth.

PALLBEARERS

David Barnett	Edward Hill, Jr.
Arvester Hughes	Randolph Johnson
Ronald Smith	James Ward

HONORARY PALLBEARERS: St. Philip's Men's Club

AUSPICES

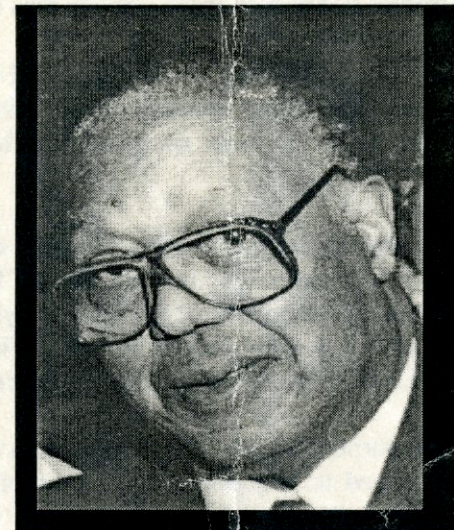
Memorial Chapel of Buffalo
66 East Utica Street
Buffalo, New York 14209

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of **Harry K. Strother** wishes to extend our thanks and sincere gratitude to our many friends for all of your expressions of kindness - in thoughts, words and deeds.



IN MEMORY OF



Harry Kendall Strother


Sunrise: August 10, 1910 *Sunset:* July 15, 1999

Wake:
July 19, 1999
10 - 11am

Funeral:
July 19, 1999
12:00 noon

St. Philip's Episcopal Church
18 Sussex Street
Buffalo, New York 14215

The Rev. Dr. D. Antonio Martin, Officiating



OBITUARY


Harry K. Strother was born August 8, 1910, in Buffalo, New York, to the late Henry and Mary (Jones) Strother. He was married to the late Jeanette Walton-Strother and to that union one son was born – Roger.

Harry was baptized at an early age at Our Savior Lutheran Church. Although he maintained a close spiritual bond with the Lutheran Church, much of his adult life was spent at St. Philip's Episcopal Church.

Harry had numerous jobs during his lifetime, but most of his career was spent with the NFT. He was recognized as one of the first African American bus drivers at the Niagara Frontier Transit System, and retired with more than twenty-five years of service in 1971. He won numerous awards of recognition and achievement during his tenure there.

Harry led a full and purposeful life. He believed in the goodness of people and always strived to help someone. Community involvement was also very important to him. He was active in the Appomattox organization for over 50 years; many of those years in a leadership role. Through his affiliation with the Appomattox Club he was a life time member of the NAACP. He was also active in the Buffalonians and was a long time member of the Men's Club of St. Philip's Church until his illness. He prided himself in his membership in two investment partnerships; Visionary Investment Managers, and Strother Enterprise.

Harry departed this life on July 15, 1999 after a lengthy illness. One sister, Juanita DeFoor, preceded him in death. He will be greatly missed by those who knew him. He leaves to cherish his memories: a loving son, Roger; a devoted granddaughter, Cheryl of Atlanta, Georgia; one brother, Wilbur (Edna) one sister, Martha (William) Shirley, one daughter in law, Betsy; a special friend, Margaret Vintes, and a host of relatives and friends.



ORDER OF SERVICE

THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD: RITE TWO, BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

Organ Prelude..... Hortense Nash

Procession, with Opening Sentences, pp. 466 f *(Standing)*

Purpose of Gathering: the Celebrant *(Standing)*

**Opening Hymn; LEV 111 – Come, Thou Fount of
Every Blessing**

Collect: At the Burial of an Adult, BCP pp. 393 f *(Standing)*

First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-3 *(Seated)*

Psalms 23 – King James Version, BCP pp 476 f *(Seated)*

Second Reading: Revelation 7:9-17 *(Seated)*

Holy Gospel: John 14:1-6 *(Standing)*

Solo..... Marsha Davidson

Acknowledgement / Obituary..... Cynthia Maxwell

Sermon..... The Rev. Dr. D. Antonio Martin

A 'Son's' Tribute..... Betsy M. Strother

Solo..... Marsha Davidson

Apostles Creed, BCP p. 496 *(Standing)*

Petitions, BCP p. 497 f *(Standing)*

Commendations: BCP pp. 498 f *(Standing)*

Recessional Hymn: LEV. 205 – Trust and Obey *(Standing)*

(During which the Casket is taken from the Church behind the Celebrant.)

INTERMENT Forest Lawn Cemetery

A repast will be held in the church parish hall following interment.